

ALTERATION SALE—STONE & THOMAS.

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STONE & THOMAS

We have just closed the contract for the erection of a magnificent iron front store room. Sixty days from to-day carpenters and builders will begin tearing down our present store-rooms. To close out our Mammoth Stock in such a short time we have decided to offer our entire stock, over

\$125,000

—WORTH OF—

Dry Goods, NOTIONS

CARPETS

At and Below Cost!

DRESS SILKS.

At 25c, India Silks, regular price, 50c.
At 58c, India Silks, regular price, 85c.
At 85c, India Silks, regular price, \$1.25.
At 50c, Surah Silks, regular price, 75c.
At 75c, Glace Silks, regular price, \$1.00.

DRAPERY SILKS.

At 19c, Plain India Silks, regular price, 40c.
At 44c, Plain India Silks, regular price, 85c.
At 49c, Plain India Silks, regular price, \$1.

BLACK GOODS.

Regular 50c Bedford Cords at.....33c.
Regular 50c Mohair Cords at.....35c.
Regular 50c All-Wool Cashmere at.....34c.
Regular 70c All-Wool Henrietta Cloth at.....48c.
Regular \$1.00 All-Wool Henrietta Cloth at.....60c.
Regular \$1.00 Figured Henrietta Cloth at.....50c.
Regular \$1.50 Lansdowne at.....\$1.10.

Colored Dress Goods.

At 13c, Cloth Plaids, reduced from 25c.
At 22c, Colored Cashmere, reduced from 30c.
At 20c, Colored Cashmere, reduced from 40c.
At 25c, Whip Cord Cashmere, reduced from 37c.
At 44c, All-Wool Henrietta Cloth, reduced from 60c.
At 60c, All-Wool Henrietta Cloth, reduced from \$1.00.
At 80c, All-Wool Henrietta Cloth, reduced from \$1.25.

SPRING JACKETS AND CAPES.

Regular \$2.00 Spring Jackets at.....\$1.20.
Regular \$4.00 Spring Jackets at.....\$2.05.
Regular \$6.00 Spring Jackets at.....\$3.90.
Regular \$7.50 Spring Jackets at.....\$4.08.
Regular \$10.00 Spring Jackets at.....\$7.65.
Regular \$5.00 Spring Capes at.....\$3.60.
Regular \$8.00 Spring Capes at.....\$5.75.
Regular \$10.00 Spring Capes at.....\$7.25.
Regular \$12.00 Spring Capes at.....\$8.25.

LACE CURTAINS.

At 60c a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$1.00.
At 98c a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$1.50.
At \$1.28 a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$2.
At \$1.58 a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$2.50.
At \$2.35 a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$3.50.
At \$3.25 a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$5.00.
At \$4.05 a pair, Lace Curtains, worth \$7.50.

-CARPETS!

Regular 15c Hemp Carpet at.....84c.
Regular 30c Flowered Carpet at.....22c.
Regular 50c Flowered Carpet at.....37c.
Regular 60c All-Wool Carpet at.....47c.
Regular 75c All-Wool Carpet at.....62c.
Regular \$1.00 Three-Ply All-Wool Carpet at.....82c.

It is impossible in this space to give more than an idea of the reductions made. Every article in our establishment has been reduced from **15 to 50** per cent. By buying early you will get the selections, as our stock must be closed by June 1st. Terms—Cash.

STONE & THOMAS.

DAMAGE BY HAIL STORM.

Whooling gets the Fag End of a Violent Storm.

MUCH DAMAGE IN MARTIN'S FERRY.

Over 20,000 Window Panes Broken. People Compelled to Abandon their Homes and Sleep with their Neighbors—Stores do a Rushing Business on Sunday Afternoon—The Town out of Glass.

Yesterday afternoon crowds took advantage of the mild weather to promenade the streets. Market street was crowded all afternoon, and the electric cars did a rushing business. Though the weather was mild, a sultry atmosphere, precursor of rain, was felt nearly all day. About half-past four o'clock black clouds gathered to the southwest of town, and thunder and lightning told of an approaching storm. There was no wind, and it seemed as if the storm, when once begun, would settle down for a long steady rain. At five o'clock the rain did begin to fall, coming from the south, but not with much violence. In the meantime a black cloud loomed up in the northwest, and suddenly at about half-past five o'clock, the air was white with driving hailstones, coming from an entirely different direction to the rain from the south. The hail-storm was short and sharp; stones about the size of hazelnuts rattled on roofs and windows, propelled by the force of a high wind. No damage of moment was done in the centre and lower part of town, though up in North Wheeling a few windows were broken.

In Martin's Ferry the most damage was done. The oldest inhabitant of that town confessed yesterday that he was outdone. None of his recollections reached so far back as to call to his mind any hailstorm that had ever caused the amount of damage that trailed in the wake of yesterday's visitation. At twenty-nine minutes past five o'clock yesterday afternoon a light rain was falling, at half past five a hail-storm broke over the town, and for twenty minutes balls of ice ranging in size from a hazelnut to a walnut pelted the town, breaking windows and causing an immense amount of damage.

The storm started from the southwest, but before it got through managed to blow from almost all points of the compass. So suddenly did the hail begin to fall and so quickly were the windows on the north and west-sides of the houses broken, that intense excitement was created, and all the rooms on those sides were vacated hurriedly by the occupants. For twenty minutes the storm raged, until fully 20,000 lights of glass were destroyed. In some places the level grounds were covered with hail three or four inches deep, and in the low places in Hanover street the hail was fully a foot in depth. Tin and slate roofs were badly cut up, and at the Buckeye glass works 500 broken window panes were counted.

In the northwestern part of town a cloudburst added to the horrors of the storm. Considerable damage was done, the lower floors of the houses were flooded, and in the bottoms a perfect lake was formed. The hills alongside the city were white with hail, and looked as if a snowstorm had passed over them. The effects of the storm extended from Martin's Ferry to a short distance above Martin's Ferry; how far to the west the damage spread is not known. Window curtains were torn to shreds and shovelfuls of hailstones were scraped up from carpets.

As soon as the storm was over all the stores selling window glass opened their doors and began to do business. In a very short time the entire stock in town was sold out, and wagon loads of glass were sent from Wheeling, Bellaire and Bridgeport. All the glaziers in town were put to work, and up to a late hour last night were busy putting in glass. Many householders engaged carpenters and boarded up their windows, being unable to obtain glass. Others were compelled to vacate their houses entirely, owing to the sudden condition of carpets and bedding, and sought refuge over night with more fortunately situated neighbors.

There has never been anything like it in Martin's Ferry. Many a hail storm has passed over the town, but yesterday's storm caused more damage in a short time than all the others put together. The Cleveland & Pittsburgh railroad tracks are covered with sand and gravel and trains will be considerably delayed this morning.

A dispatch from St. Clairsville says: A terrific hail, wind and rain storm struck this place at five o'clock this evening and did great damage. There is not a house in the place that has a whole pane of glass on the south side of the street; chimneys and trees were blown helter skelter. All the available glass in town has been utilized. The railroads suffered much damage. Bridges are washed out on both railroads. The churches were closed because of damage done. The M. E. church was damaged the most.

Nailers' Wages Reduced.
Notice has been given the La Belle nailers that the scale of wages now paid at the Belmont and other mills will go into effect at the La Belle this week, this being a considerable reduction.

In thousands of cases the cure of a cough is the preventive of consumption. The surest cough medicine in the world is Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Sold by all dealers on a guarantee of satisfaction. DAW

A CORDIAL invitation to all to attend the Opening of RICE'S Tuesday, April 5.

Save paying doctor's bills by using Dr. A. S. Todd's Liver Pills.

Go to Kurner & Co., for Wall paper and Mouldings, of all descriptions. 39, Twelfth street.

Strawberry Ham.
We will match our Strawberry Ham against any ham in the United States for cut and delicacy of flavor.

Take your meals at The Milwaukee Cafe. ROBERT GRANT, Manager.

THE event of the season—RICE'S Opening of Spring Millinery, Tuesday, April 5.

Fresh Fish
Received daily at A. Yahr's Fish Market, No. 952 Market street.

Birdfield's Female Regulator
should be used by the young woman, she who suffers from any disorder peculiar to her sex, and at change of life a powerful tonic; benefits all who use it. Sold at wholesale and retail by Logan Drug Co. and all druggists. DAW.

OPENING of French Millinery, Tuesday, April 5, at LOU SWABACKER'S.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and about the City.

The Grand this evening—"A Pair of Jacks."

The sale of street car stock by Auctioneer Haller at the court house was again adjourned Saturday afternoon until 2 p. m. to-day.

THERE will be a special meeting of the Board of Education to-night for the purpose of awarding the contract for the building of the new Sixth ward school house.

DR. JAMES P. FERRELL, an old and respected citizen of Moundsville, died last night at the residence of his son, Richard Ferrell, in Moundsville, at the advanced age of seventy-three.

The new school house at McMechen was dedicated Saturday, and a flag was presented by Golden Eagle Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. Lodges were present from Wheeling, Benwood and Bellaire.

A COMMITTEE of the Pioneer Verein will meet at the Hotel Behler, Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, to arrange for the celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America.

The Donaldson Carriage Company is now ready for business in its temporary quarters in the old Bodley wagon works, where it will remain until its own factory on Main street, south of the creek, is rebuilt.

SATURDAY night the electric railway wires got down from Twelfth street to Tenth on Market, the cross supports giving way. Wes Thompson, the hackman, got tangled in them, but fortunately the current was not on. The damage was repaired by morning.

W. LEWIS & SONS announce in another column that they have purchased the carriage and wagon works of B. Bach & Sons, at 15 and 17 Twentieth street, and are prepared to manufacture vehicles to order. They are making extensive additions to the shops.

In Squire Arkle's court Saturday Albert Fordyce was fined \$5 and costs for assaulting Chas. Jackson at Elm Grove on February 25. A motion to set aside the judgment in the case of John and Wm. Gardner vs. Drs. Ridgeway and Mauley was argued and the motion overruled.

SQUIRE ARKLE yesterday held an inquest on the body of a two months' old child of Charles Allen, who lives at 1108 Eoff street. The child was in good health the day before, and owing to its sudden death the parents thought the authorities ought to be notified. Death was caused by disability.

SATURDAY Squire Arkle held the preliminary examination of Charles M. Eador, late cashier of the United States Express Company, accused of stealing \$500 from an express package. The testimony for the prosecution consumed the entire day, and the hearing was then adjourned till to-morrow morning. The evidence was quite sensational at times.

At last the source of the trouble with the belting at the city light plant is known to be located in the face of the fly wheel of the engine. The face of the wheel is forty-four inches broad, and is slightly higher in the centre than at the edges. The high point was found to be thirteen-sixteenths of an inch out of the true centre, which tended to throw the belt off the wheel. A lathe will be set up, and the wheel revolved until its face is turned down sufficiently to bring the highest part of the face in the centre.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Prof. John A. Myers, of Morgantown, is at the Behler.

H. Hawes and J. Waterson, of Grafton, are in the city.

Several members of "A Pair of Jacks" company are registered at the Behler. The rest are at the Stamm.

Dick Hubbell, L. A. Brenneman, L. M. Ludwig and M. Malleon, of Sistersville, stopped at the Windsor yesterday.

P. J. Owens, of Grafton, Dennis Daly, of Sistersville, and K. S. Boreman, of Middlebourne, stopped yesterday at the Behler.

J. D. Strauss, representing Sanger, Rockwell & Co., of Milwaukee, lumber dealers, spent Sunday with Wheeling friends.

Mrs. J. M. Frasier and daughter, Mrs. George H. Gibson, have gone to Prof. Frasier's home, at Oakland, Pittsburgh, for a two weeks' visit.

Mr. N. W. Eayrs, of the Wheeling Bridge & Terminal company, who has been lying very ill at the City Hospital for some time past, was able to be about in a carriage Saturday.

Major D. M. Russell, of Fredericksburg, Va., arrived in this city Saturday night, having been called here on account of the serious illness of his brother, James Russell, at Elm Grove.

The secret art of beauty lies not in cosmetics, but is only in pure blood, and healthy performance of the vital functions, to be obtained by using Burdock Blood Bitters. DAW

DON'T fail to attend RICE'S Opening.

PURIFY YOUR BLOOD.
Dr. Hennig's Sarsaparilla WILL DO IT!

GREAT BARGAINS in fine Shoes at L. V. BLOND'S.

SWABACKER'S Millinery Opening occurs on Tuesday, April 5.

DIED.

McKOWN—On Friday, April 1, 1892, at 10:35 o'clock p. m., Florence, wife of George G. McKown, in the 64th year of her age. Funeral from her late residence, No. 69 Eleventh street, this (Monday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private at Peninsula Cemetery.

ACME BLACKING is cheaper at 20 cents a bottle than any other Dressing at 5 cents.

A LITTLE GOES A LONG WAYS

because shoes once blackened with it can be kept clean by washing them with water. People in moderate circumstances find it profitable to buy it at 20c a bottle, because what they spend for Blacking they save in shoe leather.

It is the cheapest blacking considering its quality, and yet we want to sell it cheaper if it can be done. We will pay

\$10,000 Reward

for a recipe that will enable us to make WOLFF'S ACME BLACKING at such a price that a retailer can profitably sell it at 10c a bottle. This offer is open until Jan. 1st, 1893. WOLFF & RANDOLPH, Philadelphia.

Old furniture painted with

PIK-RON

(this is the name of the paint), looks like stained and varnished new furniture. One coat will do it. A child can apply it. You can change a pine to a walnut, or a cherry to mahogany; there is no limit to your fancies. All retailers sell it.

NEW SPRING STOCK—G. MENDEL & CO.

—SEE OUR NEW—

Spring Stock

—OF—

Carpets and Furniture!

G. MENDEL & CO.,

1124 MAIN STREET.

SPECIALTIES—GEO. E. STIFEL & CO.

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STIFEL & CO.'S.

No. 1.—White Crochet Quilts.

We closed a lot of these Elegant Goods at a greatly reduced price, and in consequence offer at 85c, Quilts selling regularly at \$1.35, and at 55c, regular \$1.00 Quilts.

No. 2.—CORSET COVERS.

At 25c that would be cheap at 45 cents. Don't miss these.

No. 4 Consists of a stock of Goods that space will not permit enumerating here. We will only call attention to our

SUITINGS.

All the New Weaves, New Colors and many exclusive styles.

SILKS.

Changeable Effects—China, India and Crepe—the handsomest out.

WRAPS.

Here hundreds of different styles await you, and the prices are without doubt the lowest. All sizes—Ladies', Misses' and Children's.

CURTAINS. LACE. CHENILLE. SILKS,

While on the second floor don't fail to investigate this department, for it contains bargains that are without equal, and variety greater than ever. We have said nothing about our Trimmings, Laces, Grenadines, Challies Satines, etc., because we cannot do them justice in this limited space, so we invite you to examine the stock thoroughly, remembering our stores are the best lighted in the city.

Geo. E. Stifel & Co

1156 Main Street.

CONFIRMATION OUTFITS—D. GUNDLING & CO.

COMPLETE

Confirmation

OUTFITS

GUNDLING'S!

We are Headquarters for fitting out the Boys for Confirmation, besides the proper Suit for this interesting occasion, we have all the little Nick-Nacks to complete the entire outfit. Between

\$6.50—AND—\$12.00

We have the Best Assortment in the City!

D. Gundling & Co.

STAR CLOTHIERS,

34 AND 36 TWELFTH STREET.

WALL PAPER—JOHN FRIEDEL.

WALL PAPER.

—THE—

Largest and Finest Line

IN THE STATE!

Prices from 4c a bolt to \$3.00 and \$5.00 a bolt. Contracts taken for Paper and Hanging, and work guaranteed at reasonable prices. Please call and examine our line.

John Friedel

1118 Main Street.

SEWING MACHINES—EDW. L. ROSE & CO.

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A SEWING MACHINE

—FOR—

FIVE DOLLARS!

We have a lot of Second Hand Sewing Machines, which, as long as they last, we will sell for the above mentioned price. J. L. BALLARD, Manager, 61 Twelfth Street.